# **Choice Neighborhoods**

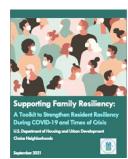
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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **Toolkit Supporting Family Resiliency during COVID-19 and Times of Crisis**

Supporting Family Resiliency: A Toolkit to Strengthen Resident
Resiliency During COVID-19 and Times of Crisis provides resources
to help PHAs, their partners, and residents promote residents'
resiliency in the aftermath of COVID-19 and other life challenges. The
toolkit, developed by the Choice Neighborhoods office in partnership
with grantees and expert consultants, provides case studies and



ready-to-use tools on topics such as mental health supports, partnership strategies, resident-led approaches to strengthen resiliency, and more.

## **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**

# **Health Center Program Funding**

The <u>Health Center Program</u> funds primary health care services to the Nation's medically underserved populations by supporting domestic public or private, nonprofit community-based and patient-directed organizations. Health centers must provide a set of primary health care services as defined <u>here</u>. PHAs, local governments, and nonprofits are eligible to apply for funding. Application deadline: November 1, 2021. Estimated total funding: \$266,709,000. Expected number of awards: 84.

# Resilient Infrastructure Funding, Federal Emergency Management Agency

The <u>Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program</u> makes federal funds available to states, U.S territories, federally recognized tribal governments, and local communities for hazard mitigation activities. Application deadline: January 28, 2022. Estimated total funding: \$1,000,000,000

#### **National Endowment for the Humanities**

The <u>Public Humanities Program</u> is designed to bring ideas to general audiences through public program. Examples of the humanities disciplines are history, literature, ethics, and art history. These grants fund planning and implementation for exhibitions, historic places, and humanities discussions. Eligible applicants include small and mid-sized organizations. For more details see the <u>website</u>. Application deadline: January 12, 2022. Award ceiling: planning, \$75,000; implementation \$2,735,000. Expected number of awards: 17.

### **EVENTS & TOOLS**

#### ConnectHomeUSA's Virtual Summit: October 4-6

The <u>ConnectHomeUSA Virtual Summit</u> will include the latest broadband funding information from federal agencies, communities' experiences with digital inclusion efforts, and more about innovating approaches.

# Virtual City Summit, November 12, 15-19

The National League of Cities (NLC) will hold this year's <u>summit</u> completely online. Experts provide information about practices are resources for local cities, towns, and villages.

# Helping Young People During and After Natural Disasters, including COVID-19

Annie E. Casey developed a new toolkit in collaboration with Child Trends that provides information for children and youth living in subsidized housing recovering from COVID-19 and other <u>natural disasters</u>. They also have quick <u>Do's and Don'ts Guide</u>.

# **Exchange Webinar: Benefits Cliffs & Coaching**

This <u>webinar</u> includes a panel discussion about strategies to help families move out of poverty. The focus is on the benefits cliffs that can occur when a family or individual begins to increase their income and sees an abrupt drop in safety net benefits like food stamps, cash assistance, and childcare vouchers.

# A Tool for States and Local Communities to Braid Funding for Quality Early Care and Education and Early Childhood Supports and Services

HHS/ASPE <u>released a tool</u> to assist states and local communities in braiding, blending, or layering multiple federal funding streams (for example, Head Start and the Child Care and Development Fund) to increase the supply of quality early education and comprehensive early childhood and family support services.

# **Resources about Tutoring: Webinar Series**

<u>Three webinars</u> will address high-quality tutoring as a strategy for learning after COVID-19 disruptions. Sponsored by the Regional Educational Laboratory Program.

# Learning about the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Field Guide (recorded webinar)

This <u>webinar</u> from HUD highlights the new CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Field Guide, which provides best practices and ideas for increasing vaccinations.

### **RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS**

#### PD&R Publication Focuses on Evictions

The Summer 2021 issue of <u>Evidence Matters</u> looks at how evictions affect residents' physical and mental health; examines ways to measure the prevalence and impacts of evictions; and highlights state and city initiatives aimed at preventing evictions.

### **Incorporating Local Art in a Public Park**

The Zuni Youth Enrichment Project <u>incorporated Zuni artists</u> in the design and execution of a youth center. ArtPlace America provided some of the funding. The park includes 25 large public art pieces.

### **Newark Nearly Doubles Youth Vaccination Rate**

A story from "<u>Chalkbeat</u>" describes how Newark and its partners increased the youth vaccination rate by 25 percentage points in two months. The key was meeting residents where they are by setting up vaccination clinics in schools and neighborhoods across the city and also listening and responding to residents' concerns.

#### **GRANTEES IN THE NEWS**





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